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SUBJECT: TOUAREG REFUGEES IN NIGER

REF: A. NIAMEY 3056; B. NIAMEY 3097

1. INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVE TJUGEN INFORMED ME OCT 10 HE HAD RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM LICROSS MAKING AVAILABLE \$20,000 FOR LOCAL PURCHASES WITH ADDITIONAL \$30,000 AVAILABLE IF NEEDED. HE WAS ELATED SINCE ON SAME DAY HE HAD BEEN GIVEN BRAND NEW 8-TON TRUCK BY NIGER GOVERNMENT AND HAD JUST RECEIVED MESSAGE THAT CANADIAN GOVERNMENT HAD DONATED LANDROVER WHICH EXPECTED IN NIGER BEFORE END OF MONTH.

2. GON ATTITUDE TOWARD REFUGEES HAS CHANGED CONSIDERABLY OVER PAST SEVERAL WEEKS. CHANGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO REALIZATION BY GOVERNMENT THAT POLICY OF IGNORING REFUGEES AND DISCOURAGING OTHERS FROM HELPING WAS NOT ONLY REPUGNANT TO LOCAL DIPLOMATIC AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR UNFAVORABLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PUBLICITY, BUT WAS ALSO PATENTLY INCONSISTENT WITH GON'S CLAIMS

OF PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO ALL WITHIN ITS BORDERS. IN ADDITION,
DELIVERIES OF RELIEF FOOD HAVE IMPROVED TO SUCH AN EXTENT THAT
GOVERNMENT NOW MORE CONFIDENT OF BEING ABLE TO SUPPLY ITS OWN
CITIZENS. ANOTHER DECISIVE FACTOR WAS UNEXPECTED REQUEST TO
GON BY FAO/DONORS TEAM (AFTER BEING TIPPED OFF REGARDING
SITUATION) TO BE SHOWN REFUGEE CAMP. ACCOMPANYING MINISTERS
WERE PLAINLY EMBARRASSED AT WHAT TEAM SAW.
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